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INCLUDING LECITHIN"

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AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 2, 18 and 20 as follows:

2. (Amended) The chewing gum of Claim 1 including:

an elastomer comprises ^{ing} approximately 3% to about 50% by weight of the water insoluble portion;

a softener comprises ^{ing} approximately 3% to about 50% by weight of the water insoluble portion; and

an emulsifier comprises ^{ing} approximately 2% to about 20% by weight of the water insoluble portion.

18. (Amended) A method for producing chewing gum wherein a resultant gum cud that is produced has reduced adhesion to environmental surfaces as compared to a gum cud produced by